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Whereas by an act of Parliament made in the fifth yere of the Queenes Maiesties raigne, it was among other thynges enacted, that from the first day of Aprill in the yere of our Lorde God. 1564. it should be lawfull to all and euery of her highnesse Subiectes, at his & their wyll and pleasure to carry & transport out of this Realme, in the shippes or other vessels of any the Subiectes of the same, all and euery kynde of herryng & other sea fishe, to be taken vpon the seas by any of the Subiectes aforesayde, and all and euery person and persons which shoulde by vertue of that act transport or carry any herrynges or other sea fishe from or out of any Port or Harbrough of this Realme, to any place out of the dominions of her Maiestie, shoulde be free from payment of any Custome, Subsidie, or Pondage money for the same fishe so carried or transported, during the space of foure yeres then next folowynge, and so further during her Maiesties pleasure, as by the same act appeareth: Her Maiestie hauynge ben well informed of the great benefite which thereby hath ensued to her Subiectes, is well pleased, and doth by these presentes geue her louynge Subiectes to vnderstande, that it shalbe lawfull for them and euery of them, to continue & enioy the whole effect and benefite of the sayde prouisions in the sayde act, in such sorte as is before expressed, vntyll such tyme as vpon further cause her Maiestie shall thynke meete to repeale or alter the same.

And whereas it was at the same tyme further enacted for the benefite & commoditie of this Realme, as is in that act diuersly expressed, that the fishe dayes in euery weeke, aswell those which of auncient tyme were by lawe allowed and continued, as also the wednesday in euery weeke then limited by the sayde act to be obserued and kept as a fishe day, shoulde be well and duely kept as fishe dayes, wherof none of her Maiesties Subiectes can pretende any ignorance: which ordinaunces, namely that for the wednesday, haue not ben, nor be so well in most partes of the Realme obserued, as for the benefite of the common weale were meete, but rather broken, to the manifest contempt of the lawes: Therefore her Maiestie straitly chargeth and commaundeth, aswell all her louynge Subiectes to haue due regarde to the ordinaunces of the sayde act for keepynge of those fishe dayes, vpon the payne that may folowe, as also all and euery the Iustices of the peace, and other Iustices, officers, and ministers, to whom the execution therof apperteyneth, to be diligent to enquire and punishe the offendours in that behalfe, as they and euery of them wyll answer for the contrary.

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GOD saue the Queene.

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